

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

Claim 1 (Currently Amended) A clip comprising:
a body having a first side and a second side;
a flat portion between the first side and the second side;
a single step portion located on the flat portion, with portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion;
a first prong member projecting outward from the first side of the body;
a second prong member projecting outward from the second side of the body, with the first and second prong members bent transverse to the body in a first direction and the single step portion is transverse to the body in a second direction;
the body, the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member being formed from a one piece blank member;
wherein the single step portion has an open faced recess projecting outwardly in the first direction; ~~and~~
wherein the first prong member and the second prong member are straight, unbent ~~single-length~~ single length members;
wherein the thickness of the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member is uniform;
wherein the first prong member and the second prong member consist of one flat plane; and
wherein the planar width of the first prong member substantially along its length and the planar width of the second prong member substantially along its length are substantially less than the planar width of the flat portion and the single step portion.

Claims 2-3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Previously Presented) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the first prong member and the second prong member have a pointed end and at least one barb along the length of the first prong member and the second prong member.

Claim 5 (Original) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the step portion has about a 0.25 inch - 0.50 inch step radius.

Claim 6 (Original) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is a metal material.

Claim 7 (Original) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is a polymeric material.

Claims 8-21 (Cancelled)

Claim 22 (Previously Presented) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion have a smooth and continuous undersurface extending between the step portion and the first prong member and the step portion and the second prong member.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented) The clip according to claim 1, wherein the clip is structured for use with sound absorbing media used with roof decks.

Claim 24 (New) A clip for spacing a first substrate away from a second substrate, comprising:

- a body having a first side and a second side;
- a flat portion between the first side and the second side;
- a single step portion located on the flat portion, with portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion;
- a first prong member projecting outward from the first side of the body;

a second prong member projecting outward from the second side of the body, with the first and second prong members bent transverse to the body in a first direction and the step portion is transverse to the body in a second direction;

the body, the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member being formed from a one piece blank member;

wherein the step portion has an open faced recess projecting outwardly in the first direction;

wherein the first prong member and the second prong member are straight, unbent single length members;

wherein the thickness of the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member is uniform;

wherein the first prong member and the second prong member consist of one flat plane;

wherein the planar width of the first prong member substantially along its length and the planar width of the second prong member substantially along its length are substantially less than the planar width of the flat portion and the single step portion; and

wherein the first prong member and the second prong member are adapted to be received in the first substrate, the portions of the flat portion on opposite sides of the single step portion are adapted to abut the first substrate, the single step portion is adapted to abut the second substrate for the spacing of the first substrate away from the second substrate and the single step portion is adapted to maintain its form for the spacing of the first substrate away from the second substrate.

Claim 25 (New) The clip according to claim 24, wherein the first prong member and the second prong member have pointed ends and at least one barb along the IR length.

Claim 26 (New) The clip according to claim 24, wherein the step portion has about a 0.25 inch - 0.50 inch step radius.

Claim 27 (New) The clip according to claim 24, wherein the clip is a metal material.

Claim 28 (New) A clip consisting of:

- a body having a first side and a second side;
- a flat portion between the first side and the second side;
- a single step portion located on the flat portion, with portions of the flat portion located on opposite sides of the step portion;
- a first prong member projecting outward from the first side of the body;
- a second prong member projecting outward from the second side of the body, with the first and second prong members bent transverse to the body in a first direction and the single step portion is transverse to the body in a second direction;
- the body, the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member being formed from a one piece blank member;
- wherein the single step portion has an open faced recess projecting outwardly in the first direction;
- wherein the first prong member and the second prong member are straight, single length members;
- wherein the thickness of the flat portion, the single step portion, the first prong member and the second prong member is uniform;
- wherein the first prong member and the second prong member consist of one flat plane; and
- wherein the planar width of the first prong member substantially along its length and the planar width of the second prong member substantially along its length are substantially less than the planar width of the flat portion and the single step portion.

Claim 29 (New) The clip according to claim 28, wherein the first prong member and the second prong member have a pointed end and at least one barb along the length of the first prong member and the second prong member; wherein the step portion has about a 0.25 inch - 0.50 inch step radius; and wherein the clip is a metal material.